

Advanced Teacher Training Program at Arizona State University Sponsored by the U.S. Embassy, Baghdad

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 10, 2013

Program Description:

Iraqi participants in the Advanced Teacher Training program at Arizona State University will learn English teaching methodology through a variety of courses, and will increase their understanding of American culture and universities through field trips and activities. Participants will be placed in two groups of 25 masters students: June 1 – July 17, 2013 and August 15 to September 30. Each group will receive 20 hours of training a week for six weeks with limited instruction on Fridays. Participants will have many opportunities to meet Americans, practice English and develop friendships. Participants will be placed in American home-stays.

A sample weekly schedule for the program (21 Total ASU Classroom Hours):

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Tuesday, Thursday:	1:30 pm – 2:45 pm	(3 hours)
Tuesday, Thursday:	12:00 pm – 1:15 pm	(3 hours)
Tuesday, Thursday:	9:00 am – 10:15 am	(3 hours)
Monday, Wednesday:	2:00 pm – 2:50 pm	(2 hours)
Monday, Wednesday:	10:45 am – 12:40 pm	(4 hours)
Monday, Wednesday and Friday*:	8:35 am – 10:30 am	(6 hours)

^{*}Shorter hours proposed for Fridays: from 8:35 am - 10:30 am only.

Proposed Training Courses:

- A. Teaching the Four Skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening
- B. Teaching Methods and Strategies
- C. Teaching Literature: Cultivating Reading Circles and Reading Theaters
- D. Classroom Observations at the University

Provisions of the Program:

- 1. Health Care Insurance
- 2. Round trip travel from Baghdad to Phoenix, Arizona
- 3. Textbooks and materials
- 4. American homestay with daily breakfast and dinner
- 5. Personal expenses and spending money
- 6. Local Transportation
- 7. ASU Student Recreation Complex and Student Services
- 8. Cost and entrance fees for day trips

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Complete Application Includes:

1. Narrative Application –

Online application found here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ASU-Training2013

- 2. Please submit the following documents via email to: <u>BaghdadEnglishTrainingProgram@state.gov</u>
 - a) Statement of Teaching Philosphy
 Describe the elements of effective teaching in 500 words or less.
 Please do not forget to include your name on the Statement of Teaching Philosopy.
 - b) Two Letters of Recommendation from graduate program professor
 - c) Letter of Approval from the Office of Scholarships and Cultural Affairs
 - d) Letter of Approval from University Department Head

Participant Requirements:

- 1. Applicants must be both citizens and legal residents of Iraq
- 2. Applicants must be currently enrolled in a masters of English program in the College of Education at an Iraqi University.
- 3. Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to the development of English language teaching in Iraq.
- 4. Submit a complete application. In addition to the online narrative application, all other application materials should be submitted to: BaghdadEnglishTrainingProgram@state.gov.

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